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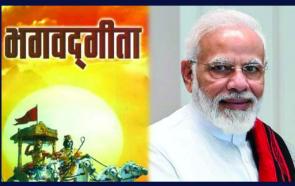
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NEW SATELLITE TO CARRY BHAGAVAD GITA, PM MODI'S PHOTO



f reports are to go by, a copy of the Bhagavad Gita, a photograph of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, and the names of 25,000 individuals will be carried to space by the Satish Dhawan Satellite(SD SAT). Slated to be launched at the end of the month by the polar satellite launch vehicle (PSLV), the nanosatellite has been privately developed by SpaceKidz India, an organisation dedicated to encouraging space science among students, and has been named after Prof Satish Dhawan, one of the founding fathers of India's space programme.

■ According to reports, it will also carry three scientific payloads. While the first two will study the space radiation and the magnetosphere, the third one will demonstrate a low-power wide-area communication network

■The names of Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) chairperson Dr K Sivan and scientific secretary Dr R Umamaheswaran have also been etched on the bottom panel of the satellite

NASA to offer \$500,000, if you figure out how to keep astronauts fed on journey to Mars

ancy cooking up some tasty treats for the astronauts on interstellar missions? Have you got what it takes to be a space chef? Then this is the challenge for youthe Deep Space Food Challenge. Yes, NASA in collaboration with the Canadian Space Agency is calling for participants to invent new systems and technologies to feed astronauts on their space missions. According to NASA, the winners will be required to cook meals for the astronauts, who will head to Mars. A whopping US\$500,000 will be given to the winners. However, Michelin-starred gastronomes are not allowed to participate in this challenge.

Astronauts require careful diets to keep themselves energised in the far reaches of the universe. Recently, food researchers came up with high-calories chocolate bar to ensure that the astronauts are high on energy, while keeping the weight of the food onboard space low. In fact, for years, NASA has been studying the potential to grow fruit and vegetables in space, to offer healthier options to humans on missions



The aim of this new challenge is to find innovative ways of sustaining astronauts travelling to Mars.

The interstellar journey to Mars is roughly three years long, and requires its astronauts to remain fit and equipped to deal with the challenges, the new terrain on Mars might pose

Apart from feeding the astronauts, the challenge also envisages putting new systems and technologies to use, to cultivate healthy and fresh products in the most-extreme locations of the globe

The would-be participants have time till May 28 to sign up, and till July 30 to present their innovative projects. The winners (the top 20 teams) will share half a million dollars, or \$25,000 each. But the prize is only available to the participants in the US. Teams in Canada can take part in a similar initiative to win between CA\$30,000 and \$380,000. International teams can also participate in the competition, although no prize money will be given to them

England dance to 'Patel Rap': Indian spinners demolish England by 317runs to level series 1-1



xar Patel and Ravichandran Ashwin predictably completed the annihilation of clueless England batsmen, emphatically bringing India back in contention for the World Test Championship final, with a series-levelling 317-run victory in the second Test in Chennai on Tuesday. Debutant Patel made full use of the favourable conditions to bag 5 for 60 in 21 overs, while Ashwin finished with a match-haul of eight wickets, not to forget his classy hundred with the bat, demolishing England for a paltry 164 on the fourth day in pursuit of an impossible 482-run target.

India have risen to second position in the WTC standings, and need to win at least one more, and draw another in the four-match series, to make the cut for the final in June

India to bid for Chess Olympiad, start game's



ndia will bid for the Chess Olympiad in 2026, All India Chess Federation's (AICF) newly-elected president Sanjay Kapoor has announced.

Unveiling the plans to commence a professional league later this year, at a press conference in New Delhi recently, Kapoor said, "We want India to become the chess destination for the world." We have drawn out a detailed plan to achieve this goal, he added.

■ India will also host the Women's Grand Prix, which is an important part of the world women's championship cycle, to give a huge boost to the women players in the country

An AICF-Chess programme in schools will also be initiated to popularise chess at the school level. All the 33 state affiliates will be implementing this simultaneously

"We want every school-going kid in India to play chess. This will help in developing smarter future generations, thanks to the life-skill benefits that come naturally from the game," said Kapoor

Didn't want to be doing this for years: Viggo on turning down Wolverine role

scar-nominated actor Viggo Mortensen has reflected on passing over the role of the fan-favourite mutant Wolverine in the X-Men series, saying that he wasn't ready to commit to playing the same character for years and years. The 62-year-old actor also recalled that his son, Henry, who was around 10 then, had read the script of 2000's 'X-Men', the first in the long-running comic book adaptations, and found it to be wrong". "The thing that bothered me at the time was just the commitment of endless movies of that same character over and over. I was nervous about that," he added.





Which global body was established by the Marrakesh Agreement in 1994?

Clue 1: Comprising 164 members, it is headquartered in Geneva, Switzerland.

Clue 2: Ireland's Peter Sutherland was its first director-general.

Clue 3: The largest economic organisation in the world, it replaced the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

ANSWER: WORLD TRADE ORGANISATION (WTO). Nigerian economist Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala was appointed the seventh director-general of the multilateral trade body on Monday, making her the first woman and the first African to head the WTO- from Mar 1, 2021 to Aug 31, 2025

Artist uses 400 RUBIK'S cubes to create a Leonardo DiCaprio on portrait

Tiktok artist's creation of a portrait of the famous Hollywood actor, Leonardo DiCaprio with 400 Rubik's cubes, has astounded the netizens. Alex Ivanchak took to Instagram to display his creativity. "LEONARDO DICAPRIO from 400 Rubik's cubes. You have to watch it till the end," the caption said. Ivanchak also collected and solved each one of the cube and then stacked them up in the form of an artwork. The video has already garnered 1,21,474 views, and counting, on Instagram, till the story was filed.





DiCaprio is not the only celebrity figure, Alex drew with the cubes. He also drew actress Emma Watson, singer Billie Eilish, actors Johnny Depp, Alan Rickman, Daniel Radcliffe, and few Russian celebrities (Timesnow)

UK PM TO HOST VIRTUAL MEETING OF G7 LEADERS

he UK Prime Minister, Boris Johnson, will host a virtual meeting of the G7 leaders on Friday to discuss efforts to ensure an equal distribution of Covid-19 vaccines and prevent future pandemics. Johnson will call for a new global approach to pandemics, drawing on lessons from the divisions that characterised the initial international response to the coronavirus outbreak, according the coronavirus outbreak, according the coronavirus outbreak.



The G7 leaders' meeting will be attended by the leaders of the UK, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan and the US, and the residents of the European Council and the European Commission, the Downing Street statement said

PM award in one hand, a sapling in another,

Prasiddhi is on a green mission

wards increasing the green cover of

FUNCTION?

the earth by planting trees.

While I conduct a lot of on-

line classes on yoga, well-

ness, DIY recycling, etc.,

our team has been active-

ly pushing sustainable and

eco-friendly products by

setting up stalls at various

fairs, exhibitions and even

corporate events. Various

national & international

partnerships have also

been a great boost in this

direction. My army of eco-

warriors from across the

globe are the front runners

of the vision that the

Prasiddhi Forest Founda-

tion holds. Thanks to the

collective efforts of the en-

tire foundation and the

eco-warriors, I was be-

Mantri Bal Puraskar

Award 2021 and the

Youngest Fruit Forest

Creator by the India Book

of Records 2020.

WHAT MADE YOU COME UP WITH THE G3 PROJECT?

G3 means - Generate your own Oxy-

community - something that I

stowed

the Pradhan

HOW DOES PRASIDDHI

FOREST FOUNDATION



Today, I am 8

years old and I

ated 14 fruit

ment schools,

munity areas,

offices and com-

planted 14,000+

trees, created

community nurs-

ery via door-to-

door seed and tea

dust collection. I

have been able to

connect with

astic lives via

15,000+ enthusi-

many offline and

sessions on the

environment

online awareness

related causes. Gradually, as I undergen, Grow your own food and Gift the

something noticeable for our planet - learned from Padma Bhushan

have already cre-

forests in govern-

YOU ARE BEING REFERRED TO AS

similar and different in many ways.

My culture and Indian

roots have influenced my

journey. I am doing some-

thing which is deeply root-

ed in Indian culture where

we have been taught to treat

trees and water as God and

ilar in a way that we both

don't wait for help but ini-

tiate actions ourselves!

However, it must be men-

tioned that in developing

countries like India, we face

a lot more challenges than

just a change in law and it

is us, as individuals, who

have to bring about a

change – I want to do all of

this as Prasiddhi Singh of

India; while I continue

drawing inspiration from

many revolutionary eco-

I was only two years old

while my curiosity had al-

ready peaked about the en-

vironment, cleanliness and

climate. This was largely

because I would join my

parents on a lot of marathons that

supported some of the environment-

stood more and more, I wanted to do

TELL US ABOUT YOUR

JOURNEY...

Our journeys are sim-

Earth as our Mother.

I am glad to be mentioned alongside

Greta Thunberg. Our journeys are both

rime Minister Narendra Modi, surprised by the grit and determination of Tamil Nadu's Chengalpattu-based 8-year-old Prasiddhi Singh, tweeted how at the age of 7 (in 2020) she could dream and execute such tall dreams, taller than the thousands of fruit trees she planted with her green thumb at various school grounds and neighbourhoods—with a plan to increase the biodiversity. On winning the 'Pradhan Mantri Bal Puraskar Award 2021', PM sent kudos to Singh, saying, "May you keep serving Mother Nature and inspire others as well." She has also won accolades as the Youngest Fruit Forest Creator by the India Book of Records 2020. In an interview with Times NIE, Prasiddhi shares with us how she finds

Swedish environment Greta Thunberg inspiring and the green goals India needs to achieve fast... something that will not only make this Paramhamsa Swami Niranjananan- and connecting with students, corplanet better for our future generations da Saraswati – "Serve, Love and porates and young activists alike, I but also urge people to become the Give". In essence, it is a sustainable movement. Thus, began my journey to-

ARE YOU LOOKING AT TIE-UPS WITH SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES?

Yes, our foundation will soon be

launching the 'Happy Living through

Sustainable Solutions' where we will

be partnering with schools, colleges,

corporates, social life spaces and

many more to multiply the good ef-

and renewable energy.

realised that people are not much ecosystem project in which we will aware of the importance of biodilay emphasis on sustainable living versity and the role of trees

DO YOU THINK CHILDREN CAN PLAY A BIG ROLE IN THIS?

I believe that when children are made to understand these things at a very young age, it gets imbibed as a natural way of doing things. This can happen dramatically well if children have a hands-on curriculum for such activities. For this reason, every school that fect of this work. While conducting we go for the plantation drive, we hold



TELL US HOW YOU FELT WHEN YOU WON THE AWARD AND YOUR FUTURE

MIndia

Winning the Pradhan Mantri Bal Puraskar was nothing less than a big dream come true. I feel immensely honoured and determined to keep moving. Many people also joined the cause of Prasiddhi Forest Foundation. Furthermore, the money that I have re-

A small seed of 4mm has the capability to grow as tall as 400 ft and does so much positive for this one big planet. Or a small honey bee has the potential to blossom flowers and fruits; or microorganisms on which the entire life depends

able to plant more and more trees now me going very strong. and reach our mission of planting 1 lakh trees by 2022. It wouldn't be wrong to say that along with the message of pro-planet and sustainable living, I want to propagate the message of mindful living too among people. With the visibility that the PM award has offered us, I don't see that as a far-fetched dream. Right now, we have already reached out to 15,000+ people. Our aim is to touch 50,000+ lives this year.

DO YOU THINK SCHOOL CHILDREN IN INDIA TOO CAN MAKE A LARGE IM-

PACT ON CLIMATE CHANGE? ACCORDING TO YOU, WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE?

Undoubtedly. The potential that small children hold, is one that you see today - the Prasiddhi Forest Foundation. Similarly, kids have the determination, passion, and the potential to make things turn around in a much more wonderful way!

WHO IS YOUR ENVIRONMENTAL ICON? WHY?

Environment icon - Jane Goodall and Ameenah Gurib Fakeem (plant scientist and former Mauritius president). Both have used their experience and positions for the utmost benefit of our environment and planet. They truly inspire me and I

ARE YOU GROWING NATIVE FRUIT TREES TO IN-

Yes, absolutely. We grow a lot of Indian native fruit and medicinal trees like Jackfruit, Amla, Guava, Custard Apple, Mango, Jamun, Arjuna, etc. They are easy to survive since they are the native variety. They grow well in the soil and give us the tasti-

DO YOU LIKE READING BOOKS ON THE ENVI-

Yes, I absolutely do. Along with my practical experience, books like - The Hidden Life of Trees, The Secret network of Nature by German forester & author -

> In addition to those, a few books I feel we all must give a read are 'Silent Spring', 'No One Is Too Small To Make a Difference', 'Field Notes From a Cat-

YOUR TIPS TO STUDENTS ON QUALITIES NEEDED TO TAKE UP AN ECO-WARRIOR CAUSE AND HOW TO

➤ Be mindful of your actions: both that

it is two-way learning. ➤ Follow the 4 R's in your life: Reduce, Reduce,

Recycle, Reuse. ➤ Growing native trees helps more biodiversity

and supports the fauna - birds, butterflies, squirrels and bees

➤ Keep going strong on all four from above.

IF PRASIDDHI WAS TO DESCRIBE HERSELF IN ONE

The unsettling eco-warrior who wants to bring a greener and happier future for the current and

WHAT ARE YOUR HOBBIES?

I enjoy spending my leisure time taking care of my kitchen garden and try different health drinks from what I grow there. I enjoy spending time reading

HOW DO YOU MANAGE TIME?

Striking a balance between the Prasiddhi Forest

YOUR FIVE-YEAR PLAN...

1. To see the Prasiddhi Forest Foundation hav-

influence their lives when it comes to eco-friendly and mindful living.

4. Influence not just people but corporates to reduce their carbon footprints considerably, and 5. Ensure that the biodiversity in our country

Meet the ALL-NEW SUPERFOODS

SEAWEED

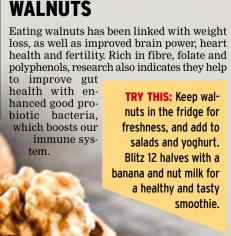
Declared by Waitrose as the superfood of 2021, seaweed is packed with antioxidants,

minerals and vitamins. It also contains iodine for thyroid and heart health. It's important not to have too much iodine though, so Sian advises, "Eat seaweed rather than taking supplements." You can make interesting salad with seaweed or stir-fry it.









hike kale. These are the immune-boosting goodies rocking our world in 2021. In the past 12 months, around 65% of us have turned to food to build up our immunity, according to a new survey. And 78% now believe it can be used as a medicine. It's no surprise given that some foods protect against cancer, stave off heart disease and boosts our immune system – essential for giving us the best possible chance of fending off Covid-19.

BEETROOT

way since the days when you could only buy it pickled in a jar. These days the humble root veg is more likely to be juiced and drunk daily by top athletes. Hailed for its ability to support the liver – perfect for those of us who like some beverage in the evening - it also lowers blood pressure and increases exercise performance. It protects against cancer too.

TRY THIS: "Blitz them to make sure you're eating the fibre-rich pulp too," says Sian. "Or treat them like any vegetable and roast to enjoy in a meal or grate them."



of bitter kale. Step forward pak choi. Packed with nutrients such as folate (perfect for pre-conception health), iron (for alertness), and anti-inflammatory vitamin C and vitamin A (for healthy eyes), it's a little powerhouse of a vegetable. This one is delicious too.



Available in supermarkets, the Chinese cabbage tastes great as stirfries or noodles.



FRIENDLY ADVENTURE by Jeff Kinney Roland and Garg - the Barbarian embark on a quest...

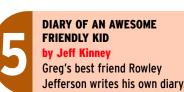
ROWLEY JEFFERSON'S AWESOME





WHEN YOU TRAP A TIGER by Tae Keller





DIARY OF AN AWESOME FRIENDLY KID by Jeff Kinney Greg's best friend Rowley





winter months. Mush-

MUSHROOM TRY THIS: Mushroom Cups, mushroominfused coffee that

There aren't many foods rich in antiviral vitamin D, the suncombines organic shine vitamin, which Peruvian coffee is a is why we're all being advised to take supmust have. plements during the

rooms are one of the few foods that can really boost your vitamin D levels. But only if they're grown in sunlight. Check the label for 'ultraviolet light' source of vitamin D.

wish to work like them.

CREASE BIODIVERSITY?

Peter Wohlleben are my favourites.

astrophe', and 'The World Without Us'.

GO ABOUT IT?

harm the planet and benefit the planet. ➤ Get into a habit of planting and nurturing trees;

newer generations.

books, doing yoga and cycling with my parents.

Foundation activities and my school isn't difficult. I have a clear boundary between the two wherein I dedicate enough time for both; while ensuring the other activity doesn't get negativeceived as a part of the award, will make—ly affected. My parents and my teachers have been our cause bigger and better. We'll be a great support at both ends and that is what keeps

ing made bright global impressions, as we take the G3 projects closer to global citizens' hearts. To reach out to 5 lakh+ people and positively

I want to spread moment-to-moment yoga because it teaches us to be aware of our actions.

starts coming back to normal levels.

BOOKS: (NYT BESTSELLER LIST)

MIDDLE GRADE

HARDCOVER

LITTLE LEGENDS: EXCEPTIONAL

by Vashti Harrison with Kwesi.

Biographies of inspiring and trail-

MEN IN BLACK HISTORY

blazing Black men.

SCHOOL IS COOL

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It's not just a place where you get to learn Einstein's Theory of Relativity. It's also a place where you can think beyond the classroom. Hence we say, SCHOOL IS COOL!

Inspirational women and their achievements

Pallavi Model School

Bowenpally

allavi Model School, Bowenpally, conducted a special assembly to celebrate the 142nd birth anniversary of Sarojini Naidu, the Nightingale of India.

The assembly started with a prayer song followed by 'thought of the day', news reading and an informative presentation by the students on Sarojini Naidu and her history. Sarojini Naidu was born in a Bengali family in Hyderabad in 1879. She was a great poet, a great political activist and was an active member of the Indian National Congress who strived to liberate India from the colonial rule. Sarojini Naidu was also the first Indian woman to be the President of the Indian National Congress and was one of the forefront leaders who led the Civil disobedience movement and the Quit India movement. The assembly was not only informative but also motivated women to excel in all walks of life through her life history. It is no wonder that her birthday is also celebrated nationwide as National Women's Day. The students concluded the session by reciting a few of her poems which was enjoyed by everyone.









Springfields School Tolichowki

pringfield School, Tolichowki celebrated 'International Day of Women and Girls in Science' through a virtual meeting where students of High School presented beautiful power point presentations describing the intellectual journey of various women sci-

This day is celebrated every year to encourage all the women and girls to stand up for themselves and take equal part in the field of science.

It is important to involve more women and girls in Science as when one group of people dominates a field of study whether it is an age group, a cultural group or a general group, there is a danger



subject. In the year 2016, UN declared February 11 as International Day of Women and Girls in Engineering and Maths (also Science. The reason for this dec-

of creating a narrow view of the laration was to encourage more girls and women to take up jobs in the field of Science, Technology, known as STEM subjects)



Learning Everything Nice

chool is fun because it is a place where we play, we learn, we dance, we read, we fight, we make friends

and we grow. Our teachers become our parents and help us share, care, support, behave, to be disciplined and be patient. They mould us to become good and responsible citizens. We also make good friends, who become part of our life and with whom we share, we play, giggle, fight and have fun. School is a place where we make memories for a lifetime.

PRASHA KOTRA, class III C, Gitanjali Devshala, Hyderabad

LEBRATING FITNESS OF MIND AND BO

"He who has health has hope, and he who has hope has everything." - Arabian Proverb

itness is a state of mind. It evokes a positive sense of self and allows human to live and not merely survive the journey of life. Thus, fitness is more than just doing physical activities, it is wellness redefined. This notion was challenged further during the lockdown with restricted physical movement. In order to enlighten the students and parents just about the significance of being fit, Aga Khan Services, India (AKESI), celebrated 'Fitness Week' which is inspired by the nationwide Fit India Movement across all its schools.

he Junior School wing of Delhi Public

School, Nacharam conducted 'Kids Spectrum', an annual event based on a thematic integration of subjects under the guidance of principal Sunitha Rao. While

Platinum Jubilee High School

Warangal

During the Fitness Week celebrations at Aga Khan School, the pre-primary wing of Platinum Jubilee High School, Warangal (PJHSW), organized various activities for the students and parents centered around the theme of healthy living. Both parents and students performed yoga asanas, danced during the Music & Movement program, made healthy food without using fire, performed exercises and listened to stories and rhymes throughout the event. Excitingly, parents participated and facilitated sessions with their ward by sharing healthy recipes and performing

PECTACLE OF TALENT

Delhi Public School



various exercises. As the week drew to a close, parents and children participated in a Fancy Dress where they dressed up as fruit and vegetable personalities.

One of the parents, Swathi was overjoyed with the effort made by the school to engage the students and parents constructively during this period. She said, "It was a wonderful week. I relished the opportunity to learn about various healthy recipes and also to present yoga asanas in virtual session with peo-

ple." This excitement was shared by the teachers as well. This was an opportunity to strengthen their rapport with the parents and engage more with children in an informal environment.

ONLINE CLASSES

Class class, online class I miss my offline class. Every day I see all my friends away,

But I want to meet them, talk and play. In this online I like many things,

Of the children who do naughty things

Some are playing, some are eating Most of them are writing and chatting. Teachers are speaking, sweetly softly Parents are also studying and watching. Teachers are working all day long For the growth and benefit of all. Class class online class I wish to go back to my school Now I want the regular class.

ANURAG, class IV, Jain Heritage A Cambridge School, Kondapur, Hyderabad

THE ALL-ATTRACTIVE

KRISHNA

Oh lord Krishna, Your beauty can be both seen and felt.

The thought of your velvet hair and butter arms,

Seasons of Happiness was the theme for class I, students of class II performed on the theme of Dawn to Dusk - A Thematic Integration of Subjects. The virtual event was conducted across all the sections of classes I and II. Children confidently showcased their talents in front



nior School expressed her happiness over the detailed and enthusiastic presentations by the children. She said this platform gave an opportunity for the children to study topics in a different way and present the same from their own independent perspective.

of their classmates, parents and teachers.

It was incredible to watch the zeal and en-

thusiasm with which the little ones ex-

plained the earth's rotation, shadows, sea-

sons and several other interesting phe-

Uma Kasinadhuni, headmistress of Ju-

Of peace, harmony and brotherhood

Minha Almas Fatima, class VIII B, Pallavi Model School Alwal

allavi Model School, Alwal, celebrated International Day of Human Fraternity virtually. Students discussed the significance of the day and made presentations to learn more about this day. This was followed by principal Sunir Nagi's speech which made us aware of the importance of Peace, Harmony and Respect in our lives.

The assembly concluded with a vote of thanks to the principal and team members who put a lot of effort to make this celebration possible. The programme aimed to spread awareness on creating peace and harmony between all of us. It underscored the importance of raising awareness about different cultures and religions or beliefs. It also enhanced unity in diversity all over



AMAZING AUSTRALIA

ustralia is an amazing country, continent and island. I along with my parents and grandfather were excited and fascinated that we were visiting a foreign country for the first time, to meet our aunt and uncle.

We first visited Sydney where we saw the cricket stadium that was so green, the marvellous Sydney Harbour (the

bridge above the glossy water) and the exquisite Opera House. The Opera House has an outstanding universal value for its structural engineering and building technology. Finally we visited the colossal Bondi beach where I swam in the water.

We also went on a cruise in the Pacific ocean, an unforgettable experience. We then travAustralia, which is Canberra. It took seven hours to reach the city. We saw the majestic Parliament building. Melbourne was another

elled to the capital city of

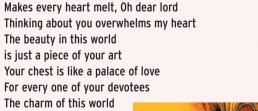
wonderful city that we toured. The huge Melbourne cricket ground (MCG), the sea aquarium and the food, especially the

> were truly amazing. At last, we had to return home. We thanked our aunt

Australian pizza,

and uncle and our hearts filled with emotion while leaving. I have no words to describe the beautiful nation! This is the best place I have ever visited and the best tour experience I ever had.

ANKITH BANDARI, class VI A, The Shri Ram Universal School, Hyderabad

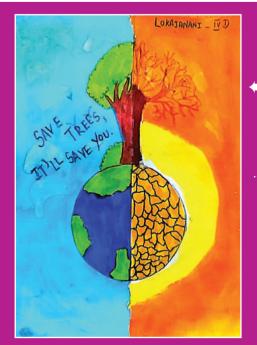


Is nothing in front of your beauty Instead of absorbing it Your dark skin emits light Listening and reading about you Makes all my days bright The sound of the venu played by you

Fills the universe with the sweet mellow of love **Everyone dances**

with joy Whether they're in hell or heavens above You are the taste of water to a thirsty man And fragrance of flower to a bee You are the touch of mother to a child But oh lord you're everything to me

PRANAVI DWIVEDI, class VII, Army Public School, **Bolarum**

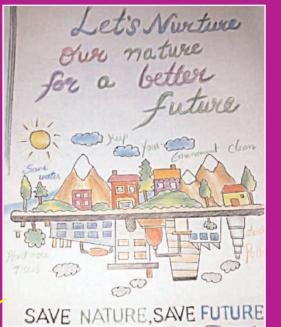


Painters' Gallery

SAVE TREES, SAVE EARTH: LOKAJANANI RS, class IV D, Delhi Public School, Secunderabad

IT'S MY STYLE: **CHEMIKELA LAKSHMI** HASINI, class VI, Scholars International School, Hyderabad

SAVE NATURE, SAVE FUTURE MUNAZZA FATIMA, class VI, Springfield International School, Bandlaguda



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ENGLAND HAMMERED

Here's a quick look at some of the big factors that contributed to India's win in the second Test



ASHWIN, THE HERO OF THE MATCH

Ashwin, in front of his home audience, surpassed the likes of Gary Sobers and Jacques Kallis to become the second most successful all-rounder in a Test match, behind Ian Botham, in terms of exemplary performance with both bat and ball. Ashwin has now on three occasions scored a ton and taken five wickets in a Test. Botham had done it on five occasions. After taking a fifer in the first innings to bundle out England for 134, Ashwin hammered his fifth Test ton in India's second innings, silencing the critics of the Chepauk pitch, who felt the track was just not possible to bat on. The 34-year-old then took three wickets in England's second innings. The allrounder was rightfully adjudged Man of the Match for his scintillating ton and the 8-wicket haul in the Test.

ROHIT SHARMA'S BIG IMPACT AT THE TOP

ne of the biggest positives for India that came out of this match was opener Rohit Sharma finding form again. After a not very impressive outing in Australia, where his top score was 52 (129 runs in 4 innings) and scores of 6 and 12 in the first Test vs England in this series, Rohit put on an absolute batting masterclass at the top of the order. He dealt with both pace and spin with efficient ease on a difficult track, scoring a big 161, before falling to Jack Leach. With Shubman Gill falling for a duck, Rohit's big knock at the top played a big role in ensuring that India took full advantage of winning the toss and put on a good first innings score on the board. Virat Kohli, Ajinkya Rahane and Rishabh Pant also made crucial contributions with the bat.

INDIA MOVE TO 2ND SPOT IN WORLD TEST CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS

➤ After recording their biggest Test win against England, India moved to the second spot on the ICC World Test Championship points table. India are now behind only New Zealand, who have already qualified for the final. India have 460 points and a PCT of 69.7 while England have slipped to the fourth spot on the table.

➤ India will have to win at least one more game of the remaining two in the ongoing series, second after New Zealand, to qualify for World Test Championship final. The final of the showpiece event will be played at the iconic Lord's Cricket Ground later this year.

We were on the money this game in terms of body language and what we wanted to do on the field. The crowd makes a massive difference and you push more as a team when the fans are behind you. This game is an example of the grit and determination we've shown, and fans' support is a big part of that.

I don't think toss would've mattered much on this pitch. We believed we could score in the second innings and got almost 300.

VIRAT KOHLI, India captain

AXAR PATEL MAKES A DEBUT TO REMEMBER

atel became the 9th Indian player to take a five-wicket haul on Test debut and only the second left-arm spinner after Dilip Doshi to take a five-for on debut. After the third day's play, he pointed the way for bowlers on this surface that turned from the first session itself. "You are getting help from this wicket. So you don't have to do much. You don't need variations. This is what I am doing. I try to bowl in the right places and the wicket takes care of the rest," said Patel, adding, "I know accuracy is my strength. It helps a lot. You just have to bowl as accurately as possible." The 27-year-old took 2 wickets in the first innings and five-for in the second (5/60). All 10 wickets in the second innings fell to spin. Axar dismissed Dom Sibley, nightwatchman Jack Leach, Joe Root, Ollie Pope and Olly Stone.

ENGLAND TOP ORDER HAD ZERO IMPACT

he English batsmen, especially the top order, had no answers to the Indian spinners. In their first innings (134 all out), their top 5 batsmen combined made 49 runs. Wicket-keeper batsman Ben Foakes, who batted at number 7, was the top scorer in their first innings with 42. In their second innings, the top five batsmen combined made 87 runs. In this innings, Moeen Ali, who came out to bat at number 9, was the top scorer, with 43. Joe Root, who has been in phenomenal form could score a total of 39 runs (6 & 33). Also, England really missed James Anderson. Though this Chepauk track was a spinners' paradise, England did miss the services of their all time leading Test wicket taker James Anderson.

QUIZ TIME!

Other than Sachin Tendulkar,
who is the only player to
have scored 14000 ODI runs?
a) Brian Lara b) Ricky Ponting c) Sanath Jayasuriya d) Kumar Sangakkara

Q2. After Muttiah Muralitharan, which player has taken the fastest 500 Test wickets?

a) Courtney Walsh b) Anil Kumble

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Q3. Who holds the record of most UEFA European Championship tournament appearances as a captain?

a) Gianluigi Buffon □ b) Andrea Pirlo □ c) Giorgio Chiellini □ d) Iker Casillas □

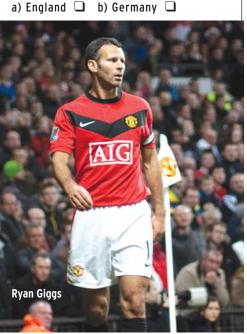
Which player has played most matches as captain in Test, ODI and T20I combined?
a) Graeme Smith □ b) Stephen Fleming □
c) Ricky Ponting □ d) MS Dhoni □

Q5. Which of the following basketball players holds NBA most assists by an individual in a season record?

a) Magic Johnson b) John Stockton c) Michael Jordan d) Karl Malone

Ryan Giggs became the oldest Olympic football goalscorer in 2012. Against which

country did he score the goal?



c) United Arab Emirates \Box d) Argentina \Box

7. Which player has won most
Player of Match awards in
Test, ODI and T20I combined?

a) Sachin Tendulkar □ b) Jacques Kallis □

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Who holds the record for second-most ODI wickets in Asia Cup?a) Chaminda Vaas □ b) Lasith Malinga □

9. After Glenn McGrath, who has taken most wickets in ICC Men's World Cup?

a) Muttiah Muralitharan 🔲 b) Wasim Akram 🖵 c) Mitchell Starc 🗀 d) Lasith Malinga 🖵

Q10. Who is the first individual to record 20,000 points, 8,000 assists and 2,000 steals in an NBA career?

a) Karl Malone b) Michael Jordan c) Shawn Kemp d) Gary Payton d

Q11. Who holds the record for most goals scored in the UEFA Women's Champions League?

a) Alex Morgan b) Ada Hegerberg c) Anja Mittag d) Sara Däbritz d

ANSWERS: 1 d) Kumar Sangakkara
2 b) Anil Kumble 3 a) Gianluigi Buffon
4 d) MS Dhoni 5 b) John Stockton
6 c) United Arab Emirates 7 a) Sachin Tendulkar
8 b) Lasith Malinga 9 a) Muttiah Muralitharan
10 d) Gary Payton 11 b) Ada Hegerberg